

New Castle, NH



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County

Rockingham

Labor Market Area

Portsmouth, NH-ME Metropolitan NECTA

Tourism Region

Seacoast

Planning Commission

Rockingham

Regional Development

Coastal Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress

District 1

Executive Council

District 3

State Senate

District 24

State Representative

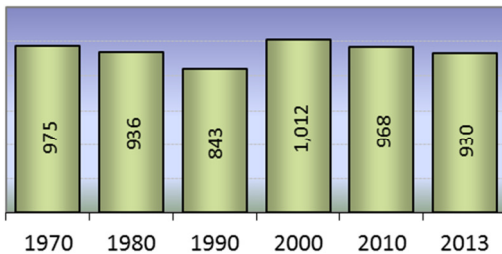
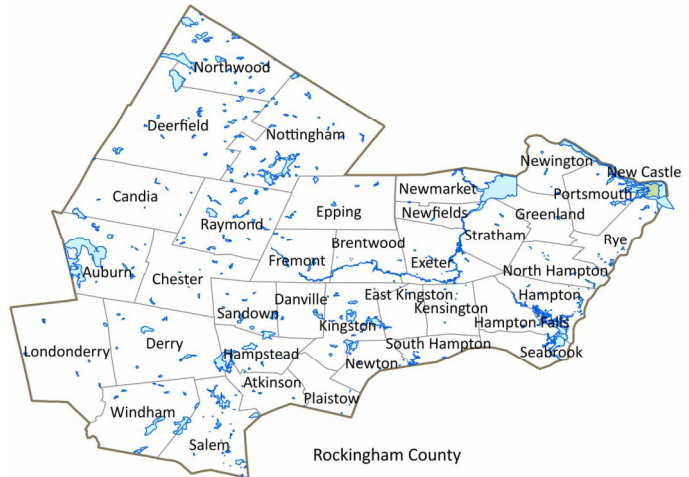
Rockingham County District 24

Incorporated: 1693

Origin: The largest of several islands at the mouth of the Piscataqua River, this town was originally known as Great Island. Chartered in 1679 as a parish of Portsmouth, it was incorporated in 1693 during the reign of William and Mary. For a number of years, this was the seat of government, where meetings of the governor and council were held. New Castle is unique in the state, being the only town made up entirely of islands, connected to the mainland by bridges. New Castle is home to the Wentworth-by-the-Sea Hotel, where delegates to the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty of 1905 stayed during negotiations held at the nearby Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The treaty negotiation and signing, which elevated Japan to an international power at the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese War, was held in the Portsmouth area at the specific invitation of President Theodore Roosevelt.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 534 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for New Castle totaled 107 over 53 years, from 823 in 1960 to 930 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a 20 percent increase between 1990 and 2000, which followed a ten percent decrease over the previous decade. The 2013 Census estimate for New Castle was 930 residents, which ranked 189th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 1,148.1 persons per square mile of land area, the sixth highest among the cities and towns. New Castle contains 0.8 square miles of land area and 1.3 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014-2015		\$2,808,983	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2014-2015		\$2,079,884	
Zoning Ordinance		1954/12	
Master Plan		2010	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectboard; Library; Cemetery; School; Budget; Trust Funds; Fire Wards		
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation; Historic District; Zoning; Public Works		
Public Library	New Castle Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time & On-Call	
Fire Department		Full, part-time, & volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service		Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Portsmouth Regional, Portsmouth		4 miles	209
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy	
Natural Gas Supplier		None	
Water Supplier		City of Portsmouth; New Castle Water Works	
Sanitation		Municipal	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		No	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		Municipal	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Voluntary	
Telephone Company		Comcast; BayRing; Fairpoint	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:		Business	Yes
		Residential	Yes
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$ 6.39	
2013 Equalization Ratio		98.8	
2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$ 6.30	
2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		89.3%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		10.5%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		0.2%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2009-2013)	
Total Housing Units		557	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		481	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		62	
Five or More Units in Structure		14	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		0	

DEMOGRAPHICS (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2013	930	297,728
2010	968	295,223
2000	1,012	278,748
1990	843	246,744
1980	936	190,345
1970	975	138,951
Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013		
Population by Gender		
Male	458	Female 472
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		32
Age 5 to 19		68
Age 20 to 34		98
Age 35 to 54		229
Age 55 to 64		216
Age 65 and over		287
Median Age		56.1 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		99.2%
Bachelor's degree or higher		67.4%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2009-2013)		
Per capita income		\$82,879
Median family income		\$124,750
Median household income		\$103,269
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		\$106,094
Female		\$53,409
Individuals below the poverty level		2.6%
LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average	2003	2013
Civilian labor force	499	514
Employed	483	492
Unemployed	16	22
Unemployment rate	3.2%	4.3%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2003	2013
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	n	0
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$0
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	n	284
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$ 608
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	45	284
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 739	\$ 608
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	38	44
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 446	\$ 667
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	82	329
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 604	\$ 616
If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.		

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	New Castle operates grades K-6; grades 7 & 8 are tuitioned to Rye; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Portsmouth				District: SAU
Career Technology Center(s):	Portsmouth Career-Tech Center #19				Region: 19
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	1				
Grade Levels	K 1-6				
Total Enrollment	48				

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College; University of NH**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wentworth Hotel	Hotel, spa	100	
Wentworth Marina	Marina	12	
UNH Marine Lab	School lab	12	

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	1B
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-95, Exit 7	
	Distance	4 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Pease International	Runway	11,321 ft. asphalt/conc
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Boston-Logan International	Distance	58.4 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		31
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		48 miles
Portland, Maine		58 miles
Boston, Mass.		60 miles
New York City, NY		273 miles
Montreal, Quebec		303 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2009-2013)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	80.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	8.7%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.6%
Other means	1.6%
Worked at home	6.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.9 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013

Working in community of residence	18.8
Commuting to another NH community	80.6
Commuting out-of-state	0.6

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Fort Constitution & Fort Stark